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David Conroy U.S. EPA – Region 1 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 (OEP05-02) Boston, MA 02109-3912

Re: Withdrawal of Air Quality State Implementation Plans

Dear Mr. Conroy:

By this letter the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) hereby withdraws the following air quality State Implementation Plans (SIPs) previously submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA):

December 30, 1994 – Transportation Conformity [more stringent than federal rules and does not take advantage of streamlined procedures offered by SAFETEA-LU];

May 11, 2001 – VOC Definition SIP revision [superseded by VOC definition in June 1, 2010 SIP submittal]; and

July 12, 2006 – NOx Allowance Trading Program [superseded by the MassCAIR SIP submittal approved by EPA on December 3, 2007 (72 FR 67854)].

As indicated, these SIPs are no longer applicable and/or have been superseded, and therefore MassDEP is withdrawing them. If you have any questions, please contact Glenn Keith at 617-292-5874.

Sincerely,

Christine Kirby, Director Air and Climate Programs Bureau of Air and Waste

cc: Anne Arnold, EPA